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**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings in the application:

Claim 1 (Currently amended): A fine mist pump spray containing no propellant and adapted only for administration as such only to non-facial body skin to treat acne or acneform conditions thereon, the fine mist spray comprising a solution of salicylic acid, wherein the salicylic acid constitutes from about 0.01% to about 20% by weight of the solution and the pH of the solution is above about 5, whereby any the likelihood of the fine mist spray causing nasal irritation or and coughing caused by the fine mist spray is thereby reduced.

Claim 2 (Original): The spray of claim 1 wherein the spray comprises liquid particles of a size of from about 10 to about 150 micrometers.

Claim 3 (Canceled)

Claim 4 (Original): The spray of claim 3 wherein the pH is from about 5 to about 7.5.

Claim 5 (Original): The spray of claim 3 wherein the pH is from about 6.9 to about 7.2.

Claim 6 (Canceled)

Claim 7 (Original): The spray of claim 1 wherein the solution comprises a solvent system comprising water and a volatile solvent.

Claim 8 (Original): The spray of claim 7 wherein the volatile solvent is an alcohol.

Claim 9 (Original): The spray of claim 8 wherein the alcohol is denatured ethyl alcohol.

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Claim 10 (Original): The spray of claim 1 wherein the salicylic acid constitutes about 0.5% to 2% by weight of the solution.

Claim 11 (Currently amended): An article of manufacture for producing the fine mist spray of claim 1 comprising a solution of salicylic acid wherein the salicylic acid constitutes about 0.01% to 20% by weight of the solution and no propellant contained within a fine mist pump spray dispenser, and wherein the solution has a pH above about 5, and whereby the likelihood of the fine mist spray causing any nasal irritation or and coughing caused by the fine mist spray is thereby reduced.

Claim 12 (Canceled)

Claim 13 (Previously amended): The article of claim 11 wherein the fine mist spray pump dispenser is a 360 degree fine mist spray pump spray dispenser.

Claim 14 (Canceled)

Claim 15 (Previously amended): The article of claim 14 wherein the pH is in the range of about 5 to about 7.2.

Claim 16 (Original): The article of claim 11 wherein the solution comprises a solvent system comprising water and a volatile solvent.

Claim 17 (Original): The article of claim 16 wherein the solvent is an alcohol.

Claim 18 (Original): The article of claim 17 wherein the alcohol is denatured ethyl alcohol.

Claim 19 (Original): The article of claim 11 wherein the dispenser dispenses about 50 to 500 microliters of the solution per actuation.

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Claim 20 (Previously amended): A method for treating acne or acneform conditions on non-facial skin of a human comprising administering an effective amount of the fine mist spray of claim 1 to the afflicted skin of said human.

Claim 21 (Previously amended): The spray of claim 1 wherein the sole active anti-acne ingredient(s) in the solution is salicylic acid.

Claim 22 (Previously amended): The article of claim 11 wherein the sole active anti-acne ingredient(s) in the solution is salicylic acid.

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